



PRINCIPE FELIPE
CENTRO DE INVESTIGACION

**Job Announcement:
Director, Pre-clinical Animal Models Platform**

The Prince Felipe Research Center (CIPF) is currently recruiting **an outstanding academic Veterinarian to direct our Research Vivarium**. The CIPF, a modern institute in Valencia Spain, is expanding based on a five-year strategic plan aimed at positioning the center as an international leader in biomedical research. We are committed to improving human health through innovative research; to discover and develop new treatments that can offer significant benefits for patients with unmet medical needs.

We seek a dynamic person to lead our large, state-of-the-art Animal Facility and oversee its continued integration with our key strategic aims. The CIPF has outstanding biomedical researchers who work on a range of disease topics including cancer, diabetes, Alzheimer's, and rare diseases. The holder of this position will play a key role in guiding research teams in the development of experimental protocols and the implementation of the latest technology for pre-clinical models. For a veterinarian with a commitment to the highest standards of animal care and use, this is an exciting opportunity to join a mission-driven, collaborative team and contribute to our institutional growth. www.cipf.es

Essential Functions:

- Manage the day-to-day operations of the CIPF vivarium
- Ensure facility and animal researcher compliance with all government regulations and guidelines
- Ensure animal researcher compliance with all company policies and procedures
- Implement and maintain training programs as needed
- Manage importation or purchase of rodent strains for research
- Manage periodic microbiology analysis and health monitoring of CIPF colonies.
- Supervise the medical and surgical care of rodent models
- Work closely with the Animal Facility Commission to develop strategic plans and regulations to promote pre-clinical research
- Provide support to researchers for the correct development of animal care and use protocols that emphasize the 3Rs and an ethical commitment
- Review experimental protocols to ensure conformance to accepted veterinary practices and regulations. Serves on Animal Welfare Committee
- Provide technical/surgical assistance to researchers when needed
- Supervise the preservation and rederivation of transgenic animal lines
- Liason with regional and national regulatory agencies on animal welfare and use and periodically assist course to update knowledge on animal legislation.
- Perform other related duties as assigned

Requirements:

Education: DVM plus PhD in biology, biotechnology, or other area relevant to biomedical research.

Certification: Must be licensed to practice in Spain or eligible for license in Spain. Must possess at least certification D for animal experimentation and eligible for category E.

Experience: At least 8 years in a research environment with experience in rodent surgery and experimental techniques, production of transgenic models, and colony management.

Supervisory: Demonstrated experience in supervising technical staff and researchers, training of personnel, and preparation of compliance documents.

Knowledge, Skills and Abilities:

- Expert knowledge in animal welfare and national and European guidelines for animal care and use in research
- Experience as a research vivarium manager and colonies of transgenic mouse models including immunodeficient mice.
- Demonstrated experience with surgical techniques and basic procedures such as cryopreservation and embryo transfer.
- Excellent organizational and communication skills
- Innovative thinker and problem solver
- Experience with development of complex proposals (i.e. H2020 or IMI) that require animal protocols and budgets
- Ability to use independent professional judgment, strong work ethic and express a positive attitude.
- Ability to understand and interpret complex guidelines quickly and accurately.
- Ability to establish and maintain effective professional relationships with researchers and management team.
- Highly proficient in English.
- Ability to work collaboratively in a team environment
- Willingness to promote the mission statement and values of the CIPF.

Length of contract: 3 years, possibility for permanent position subject to review

Salary: 40K, Negotiable based on experience.

Incorporation Date: July 2021, flexible